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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Foreign.-The European Powers have come to an agreement to exterminate the African slavetrade. = A free pardon has been offered to any possible accomplice of the Whitechapel murderer who will give information leading to the fiend's capture. - A delegation of Mormons had an Interview with Sir John Macdonald, and will soon found a colony in Canada. = De Baun, the New-York eashier, has again been remanded.

Domestic.-General Harrison intends to visit New-York City in about a month; the formation of his Cabinet is widely discussed. === William H. Barnum, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, is dying at his home in Lime Rock, Conn. - The work of taking the dead and dying miners from the wrecked Fontenae mine continued; it is thought the list of dead will not exceed sixty persons. ==== There were thirty-three new cases of yellow fever in Jacksonville, with five deaths. === The Methodist bishops were in semi-annual session in Boston.

City and Suburban.-Close of the horse show after a remarkably fine and successful exhibit.

Mrs. Helen M. Hoyt, widow of Jesse Hoyt, died. === The Anarchists of the city had a big meeting in memory of their Chicago brethren who were hanged. = Seven men injured at a fire in Worth-st., near the Five Points; scores of women and children endangered. Erastus T. Tefft, of the firm of Tefft, Weller & Co., died. == II. S. Beattle, Surveyor of the has of late greatly increased, who feel that the Port, resigned from the New-Amsterdam Club.

The Weather .- Indications for to-day: Colder and fair weather. Temperature-yesterday: Highest, 65 degrees; lowest, 60; average, 63 1-4.

Four Naval officers have been sent to Mexico and Central America to secure certain longitudes. They are ordered to go on a ship of the Spanish Transatlantic Company. If it be worth while to send a detachment of American officers to Mexico after longitudes, it is certainly worth while to send them in American steamers, several of which go more directly to the point where these officers begin work than the vessels of the Spanish line. It is passing strange why the Administration persists in making ugly faces at the American shipping

General Harrison told the truth, and told it with much daintiness, when he telegraphed Warner Miller deploring his defeat that " if the intrepid leader fell outside the breastworks, the column, inspired by his courage, went on to victory." This is a graceful acknowledgment of the fact upon which we commented the other day, that Mr. Miller's heroic canvass by bringing back to the party hosts of temperance people had saved the day to Harrison. Mr. Miller has brought honor upon himself and his party, and he issues from defeat stronger with the people than when he went into the campaign.

Among the horrible calamities that every now and then distress the public, none seems capable of such fearful possibilities as a mine explosion. The story that comes from Pittsburg, Kansas, about the explosion in a coal mine there is red and black with tragedy. At least sixty men have perished under frightful circumstances, involving an entire community in the greatest of sorrows.

It is not particularly creditable to the British press that they desert Mr. Cleveland in this hour of his misfortune. They heralded his election four years ago with pagans of rejoicing. They have loaded him with compliments and praises throughout his administration. They earnestly advised the American people to elect him again, and up to the very day of the balloting they interested themselves in his behalf. He did the best he could to merit their regard. He adopted the policy they mapped out for him. He gave them all they asked that lay in his power to give, and it certainly does seem hard, now that he is laid low, to have them telling him he never amounted to much. anyhow. This is not generous. It is not fair. It will tend to make Democratic statesmen exceedingly shy of the British press hereafter.

In admitting evidence purporting to show the acts of persons accused of conspiracy in furtherance of their plot, judges have great discretion. The Commission now inquiring into the charges against the Parnellite Members of Parliament have admitted a great lot of proof revealing criminal disorder in Ireland without compelling the prosecution first to show a connection between these agrarian outrages and the defendants. This is a use of judicial discretion generally to be deprecated. In the trial

the purpose of placing before the jury's mind a evitable the extension of the Empire in Asia, full, consecutive story. But unless it had been Africa and the South Seas. Lord Granville remorally certain that the District-Attorney could sisted all tendencies in the direction of enlarged bring this evidence home to Sharp, it could not responsibilities, and the disastrous compromise Parnellite Commission there is every doubt of pledges by which England was bound hand and the admission of apparently irrelevant evidence the Soudan, were the natural result of timorare having a fair trial.

THANKSGIVING.

Conscientious Republicans, and not a few upright citizens who adhere to Democratic beliefs, will recognize this day with deep thankfulness the care of that overruling Providence which has so often saved the Nation from fatal error. Said an ardent and most active Democrat, on the morning of the election : "Acting according to the ends of the earth. to my best judgment, as is my duty, I shall do what is possible for my party, but I have abiding faith, if its defeat is best for my country, it will be defeated." Free from the passions of the contest, surveying its progress and result Nation, conscientious citizens of both parties ent branches of the Government; that a change people were clearly not prepared, no longer menaces the prosperity which has been attained under the legislation of the Republican the balance of trade is against us. party; that the unjust exclusion of great bodies of citizens in the growing Territories is no longer to be continued for partisan reasons; that the resort to dishonest methods in elections has not prevailed; and that the appeal to sectional passions at the South has again been proved unwise by the resistance of a practically united North, and has failed in some Southern States to command the approval of the people.

These are results at which all good citizens can rejoice. It would have been a National revenue, the census and the consequent ap- get as to be forgotten. Some of them adportionment, the admission of new States and the purity of elections, had again been prevented by the partisan antagonism of two houses of Congress. In respect to all the great business interests of the country, action in harmony with the best opinions of either party is far better than no action at all. The people have already suffered much from the inability of Congress to act on such questions. Now that piness. there is to be a Republican President, it is a blessing to the whole country that there is also to be a Congress ready and able to act in harmony with his beliefs.

was judicious, a decision in favor of that party would not have faithfully represented the judgment of the people on the tariff question. But it would have encouraged leaders to press forward in a course which the majority of the people was not, in fact, prepared to sustain.

THE TRIBUNE does not believe that upright tory at the South, and in some Northern cities, could not prevail again without great peril to free government. It is not necessary to censure these men because they were not prepared to help the defeat of principles to which they were sincerely attached. But they must now regard with deep satisfaction the fact that a Solid South has again been proved the surest road to Democratic defeat. It has not pleased loyal Democrats of the North to see vindictive passions of former disloyalty kindled so persistently for years past; to see men selected for honor or reward only because they were once in arms against their Government; or to have the prejudices of race aroused throughout the South, to the peril of society in many localities, as the only means of keeping Democrats in

It will be strange, indeed, if the result of the late election does not convince Democrats in Southern States that they can no longer resort to such methods with any hope of success. If their policy in future, in order to succeed at all. must be such as to command the intelligent approval of a majority in some Northern States not controlled by foreign influence in a single corrupt city, the result to the country will be far-reaching and beneficent.

ENGLAND'S FOREIGN POLICY. Lord Salisbury's speech at the Guildhall revealed the conservative character of his diplomacy. When Lord Beaconsfield was astonishing England with his policy of Oriental intrigue and theatrical displays, he had no more submissive follower than the present Prime Minister. Time and official responsibilities have counteracted the influences of Jingo diplomacy. Lord Salisbury's tone does not now differ essentially from the general tenor of Mr. Gladstone's ideas of foreign policy. He lays more stress than the Liberal statesman would be inclined to do upon the necessity for defences and preparations on a scale with the magnitude of the Empire and its commercial interests. He also accentuates the fact that the previous Government is responsible for the present Egyptian policy, and thereby intimates that in his judgment there were radical mistakes made when Lord Wolseley was sent to restore order on the Nile as a European rather than an English agent. But while he insists upon these reservations, he discusses the Continental policy of armaments in the spirit of the Manchester school. An exhausting system of continuous preparation for war, by which 12,000,000 men are kept under arms at enormous cost, does not commend itself as worthy of English here, he would put every man under his com- amuse themselves. Moreover, it is so simple imitation and rivalry. Non-intervention in European affairs he virtually proclaims as the true policy for Great Britain. At the same time he protests vehemently against reckless disregard of defensive armaments and adequate competent to deal with the case, there can be body meets everybody within the Garden, exinterests of a world-wide Empire.

It is necessary, however, to discriminate bury's diplomacy and those of Lord Granville's Liberal ideas have been followed in the main, dertaken. Probably English law, with its afternoon is a somewhat more formidable underof Jacob Sharp a conspiracy was alleged, and Conservative methods have shown no signs of spirit of conservatism and its methods of cb- taking, and pienicking at Jerome Park or any Mr. Justice Barrett permitted the prosecution | vacillation and weakness. Lord Granville was struction, does not permit such radical meas- sort of sport in the open air finds but a small of railway accidents to Imperial trains. He dis-

promoting the conspiracy on the prosecution's in any quarter of the world. Lord Salisbury policeman is a very poor sort of bloodhoundpromise to connect Sharp with those acts, for never seeks to evade them. He accepts as inhave gone on record. In the case before the with the Boers, the war in Zululand, the New-York Sun" as saying that the guard who such an ability on the prosecution's part, and foot in Egypt, and the stupendous blunders of Baer on the Second-ave, road on Thurscannot induce the belief that the Irish leaders ousness and indecision. Under Lord Salis- Hain adds: "He might possibly have saved Missionary Failure," in "The Fortnightly Rebury's administration the South African Empire has been steadily enlarged. Burmah has him in, but he was not at liberty to use any been added to India, the scientific frontier has discretion. . . . The poor fellow probably been rendered impregnable and new outposts has a family to support on his dollar and a half have been secured at Sikkim, on the Thibetan a day; he couldn't afford to risk his job. He slopes of the Himalayas. While England has was between the devil and the deep sea." If withdrawn from Continental alliances and fall- Colonel Hain is correctly reported in "The en back upon her secure insular position, wider and wider stretches the circle of the Empire nearly in substance with those reported in other

LORDS AND LADIES.

"Tommy dearly loves a lord," was the sarcastic imputation put upon an English man of letters. We trust that every woman whose with a sincere desire for the welfare of the name appears this morning on THE TRIBUNE'S roll of American Peeresses is proud to own the may to-day rejoice that the verdict has been so soft impeachment which vexed the soul of the coming President; that he is to be sustained kind hearts has been pretty definitely deterby a Congress in harmony with his beliefs, so mined, and we do not pretend to be grateful the instances are few and far between where of industrial policy, for which a majority of the American girls have been bought by foreign gold. Indeed, except for chivalrous considera-

> Notwithstanding all that has been said and written about the American wives of foreign noblemen, and the gallant or ignoble missions on which, with increasing frequency and ardor, the scions of ancient houses visit these shores, there will be general astonishment at the length of the roll we print to-day. Many of those the land of their birth, that though not purposely estranged, it has become as easy to for- fit for his place. mirably fill great places in the eyes of the SOME FEATURES OF THE HORSE SHOW. world. Others have been consigned to lives more obscure and unprofitable than might easily have fallen to their lot in this land of equal birth and boundless opportunities; and it is conceivable that the sorrows and disappointments of this mortal state are keener with those who have travelled far in search of hap-

American women, for whose entertainment The attitude of the two parties on the ques- achievements of their sisters. We trust that eye has grown more bewitching with its fair perity which had been enjoyed under the exist- part of those who would deserve to find a place ing policy, and no thoughtful citizen could fail in it if there was one. But all can afford to feel a to realize that the change proposed would be a certain degree of curiosity about their countryleap in the dark. With a multitude of Demo- women who are surely helping to diffuse in the crats in doubt whether the policy of their party Old World some conception of American civilization and the influences of American life.

populated district was so preposterous that it is chief at Scotland Yard was an official of extraor- creased. dinary resources and original power.

The fact has been established by experiments in the field that the scent which a good-nosed cessful in escaping blood stains, which, indeed, thousands of dollars at stake. would inevitably lead to his detection in the It is an odd thing from some points of view

employed successfully in hunting down the perhaps, that the spacious mansions uptown Whitechapel fiend is one that is apparently un- send so many of their occupants to the exknown in London. This is a class of real de- hibition in Madison Square Garden is that the tectives, with good eyes between their noses Horse Show is held at a time when there are no and brains back of both. Superintendent Mur- balls or great receptions, and only a few wedray, of the New-York force, remarks that if dings occupy the time and thoughts of people such a series of crimes should be committed who have nothing in the world to do except to mand in plain clothes and constitute every and easy a thing to get in one's carriage after policeman a special detective until the murderer dinner or after lunch, drive over to the Garden were found. That the same tactics would suc- and spend an hour or two there in flirting or ceed in London, if there were a police force chatting or petting the favorite horses. Everyprecautions for protecting the vast commercial little room to doubt. Crafty and ingenious as changes reminiscences and anecdotes of the this murderer undoubtedly is, there must be summer, and discusses the prospects of the suspictous circumstances connected with his opening season in the city. When interest in sharply between the tendencies of Lord Salis- daily life and habits which would put detectives the horses or in any feature of the affair beon his track if anything like a house-to-house comes dull, one can depart at a moment's administration of the Foreign Office. While inspection of London were systematically un- notice. To go to a racecourse and spend the

to present the evidence of the acts of others in always reluctant to accept new responsibilities ures as these. Certainly the average London number of wealthy devotees in this country in

SAVING LIFE THE FIRST DUTY. Colonel Hain, the general manager of the elevated roads of this city, is reported in "The was responsible for the horrible death of Philip day night, was simply doing his duty. Colonel and Africa. Now his article, entitled " The Great Mr. Baer's life by opening the gate and pulling Sun"-and his expressions as given above agree papers-the spirit which dictates such an utterance is heartless and brutal.

Every one who is familiar with the elevated system here by daily experience and daily discomfort knows that the roads are managed with little regard to public convenience and with little effort to please their patrons. But for their general manager to intimate as a rule governing the conduct of the system, or supdecisive that no dispute can cloud the title of Moore. The relative value of coronets and employe who ventures to depart at all from his happens to be a supporter of the Church Missionordinary instructions for the purpose of saving ary Society. It seems that according to official a human life will be dismissed from his position. longer be prevented by conflict between differ- her daughters. But it can at least be said that is an affront to the instincts of humanity that spent a little more than \$55,000 last year in makought to be resented by this community. If ing 190 converts out of a population of nearly thinks so little of human life that he insists that from Christianity the same year, this great exthe present manager of the elevated roads tions, it would be as well to admit frankly that no one in his employ shall endeavor to save a man from a horrible death for fear he may lose his position by breaking a rule of the company, then it is the plain duty of the directors of from \$300 to \$500 are, in many cases, no to get a new manager as soon as possible.

We do not believe that the stockholders in the rapid transit roads, or the directors of a robber who promised to abstain from robbing either, will approve or sanction such brutality as this. When it comes to a question of savwhose names appear on the list are so separated ing human life all rules must go, and any manin interests, obligations and environment from ager who gives his employes no discretion when

In spite of the feverish anxiety and excitement of election week, the Horse Show at Madithough chiefly by people who do not concern whom they are trying to evangelize, and make an themselves deeply as to political contests and charming faces and graceful figures. The club as possible, live like the natives. "The preachmen have gathered in force about the dainty girls from Murray Hill and the wealthier parts pean missionaries fail because they attempt to make the newspapers have been compelled to do too of the town, who have freely displayed their little during the last few months, are certain admiration for fine horseflesh and their interest listines. Islam succeeds better than Christianity, to scan with interest this record of the marital in the various tests of merit. Many a bright largely because it leaves the people undisturbed tion of the tariff was such that a great number they will not learn it by heart, for that would owner's enthusiasm as she watched some pet It has been well said that the teachers who would of Democrats must regard their defeat with real be a waste of time. Fortunately, we have not from her own stable competing with favorite appeal successfully to Asiatics or Africans should relief. For they were not able to feel sure that yet reached that stage where genealogical lore horses from the stables of her friends. In a the measure proposed by their representatives is essential to peace of mind. In this country a social way the Horse Show has been eminently was altogether wise or safe. Discussion had woman may still meet the requirements of sosuccessful, as it has been in previous years. difficulty. If Christian missions are a failure, as, in agreeable hours.

tention which it received. It has been especially strong in hunters and good jumpers, and in displays of bold and dashing horsemanship. In cobs. in roadsters, in horses tracking the Whitechapel murderer has been a has been remarkably rich, and to those form when brought back to the East. conspicuous failure. The dogs employed seem Americans who believe that progress in to have come from a private kennel, those with equipages on this side of the water is indicated citizens are to be found in one party only. to have come from a private kennel, those with equipages on this side of the water is indicated by the nearest possible approach to English modified which Sir Charles Warren has been experiment to have come from a private kennel, those with equipages on this side of the water is indicated by the nearest possible approach to English modified and Democratic clubs uniting in a joint control of them. which Sir Charles Warren has been experimenting having proved worthless in all
the preliminary tests. The idea of using bloodhounds as trackers in the heart of a densels in-hand teams have been seen, and every type hounds as trackers in the heart of a densely in-hand teams have been seen, and every type great victory by tertained by the chief of the metropolitan draught horse, has had its representatives. It one representing the party that suffered defeat in police. The best-nosed dog ever known could is true that the department of thoroughbreds November should escort the other on its postnot have followed the trail of his master over for racing purposes in the stallion and other election triumphal march. We submit that this the streets of London with a stale scent crossed classes has been amazingly weak. It seemed is a much better way of commemorating a victory at every pace by a fresher one. How any experienced official could have imagined that a stream, after trying in vain all the year to bloodhound could succeed in tracking a stranger win little selling purses on well-known raceover ground where confused and unfamiliar courses, should take a second prize at a Horse town, painting it red as he went. But then it scents were numerous passes comprehension. Show. If the owners of such famous animals must be remembered that Achilles lived in a crude It is not probable that Sir Charles Warren ever as The Bard, Firenzi, Hanoyer, Salvator, believed that his desperate expedient was the Faverdale colt and other stars of the don by encouraging them to think that the and attractions would have been vastly in- is divided against itself in regard to the six-

being extensively represented, but owners have dog ordinarily follows is an emanation from always hesitated to expose their most valuable shoe leather. An investigator, who made a and cherished animals to the risks of transhope to impose its will upon the people, and that number of striking tests with setters portation and the chances for injury to health and hounds at a Scotch shooting-box, by sending them from their stables at the varidiscovered that he could invariably ous racecourses to please the public in Madison throw his dogs off the scent by changing Square Garden. The inducements are not suffihis boots for a pair belonging to a companion or cient for the owners to take the chances. Then, by running in stockings or barefoot. The too, they reason that if people are anxious to Whitechapel monster could undoubtedly clude see such horses as these when they are at him with the adventitious aid of the smell of their qualities tested, not by mere comparison blood on his clothes, it is untenable in this in- in repose, but by the development of their utstance since he apparently is remarkably suc- most speed in great contests with hundreds of

streets. If such a murder were committed in that while fashion patronizes and encourages the country, and the body were dragged any the Horse Show, it turns a half-reluctant and the distance and concealed or buried, the dogs distant gaze in these days toward the racewould easily succeed, ferret it out, and pos- course. The representation of Murray Hill at sibly in the open fields or roads be able to fol- Jerome Park and Sheepshead Bay last low the murderer. In overcrowded London no year was smaller than in previous years. such result could be hoped for with reason. In England no one who has preten-The facility with which the murderer could sions to a place in society can afthrow the hounds off the track, and gain upon ford to miss Ascot. Goodwood or Sandown. them even if the scent were hot, would inevi- Over there a fashionable set without some intably baffle them. By taking a cab or the un- terest in racing is impossible. Here it is derground railway he could break the trail and wholly different. Most of the leaders of Ameriin a short time place miles between him and his can society care no more for racing or anything pertaining to it than they care for the integral The only species of bloodhound that can be calculus or the binomial theorem. The reason,

ARE CHRISTIAN MISSIONS A FAILURE? Canon Isaac Taylor, of the English Church, is a courageous man. A little more than a year ago he read a telling paper before the English Church Congress, in which he took the ground that the religion of Islam is not only equal to Christianity in some respects, but is far better suited to the needs and capacities of many peoples in Asia than his paper of last year.

The most important point which he makes is that at its present rate of progress Christianity can never hope to overtake heathenism. Estimating the excess of births over deaths in Asia and Africa as 11,000,000 a year, and the annual increase of Christians as 60,000, it would take the missionary societies 183 years to overtake one year's increase in the heathen population. This seems hopeless enough if statistics only are to be the test of success or failure in religious propagandism. But Canon Taylor must be aware that the great majority of Christians would not concede this. Even if the statistics were more hopeless than he makes them out to be, Christians generally would still believe in missions-if for no other reason than that they react beneficially upon those who promote them.

The Canon then adduces some figures that will reports the 424 agents of this society in Ceylon three millions. And as there were 330 relapses penditure counted for less than nothing. same thing was true, in a measure, of China, Egypt, Asabia and Palestine. Moreover, the converts which are made in these countries at a cost credit to the religion whose claims they acknowledge. As an illustration of this, we are told for ten days, and of a quarrel which broke out among the natives of the nominally Christian village, in which the victors cooked and ate the vanquished. In order to make good reports to the home societies missionaries are altogether too eager to enrol such unworthy men and women among their converts-a fact which minimizes still more the small showing made by modern missions.

It must not be supposed, however, that Canon Taylor is a disbeliever in missions. On the contrary, he believes that they may be made a great success if the missionaries would only show son Square Garden has been well attended, a larger degree of sympathy with the natives honest effort to understand their point of view results. The boxes have been filled with He also believes that missionaries should, as far er's hut," he says, " his goods, his dress, his food, should be the same as those of the natives. Euro-Asiaties or Africans into middle-class English Phiin all the outward circumstances of their lives. senting ministers."

The Canon here seems to touch the root of the disclosed the ignorance of its framers and chief ciety without troubling herself overmuch about People who have ample means to spend in the light of these facts, we must confess them to be, disclosed the ignorance of its framers and chief civil without troubing defenders as to great industrial interests. It the antecedents of her acquaintances. There diversion and for whom the weightier affairs is due almost entirely to our faulty methods defenders as to great industrial interests. It the antecedents of her acquaintances of the diversion and for whom the weighter affairs it is due almost entirely to our faulty methods had placed in strong light the remarkable prossist is no demand for an American Peerage on the of life mean little have spent there many of prosecuting them. Certain it is that the mighty religion which conquered the paganism of Rome The show has possessed a variety of attractive and of the North has in it to-day enough of features, which justified the attendance and at- vitality to displace the moribund religious of the East. But we must remember that the Oriental can neither understand nor appreciate the religious ideals of the Anglican or American Christian And to impose such ideals upon him seems to be not only foolish but unjust, in view of the fact BLOODHOUNDS AS TRACKERS.

Suitable for use in dogcarts, T-carts that Christianity was originally an Oriental religion, and should therefore revert to its primitive

One frequently hears of the lion and the lamb of horseflesh, from the diminutive and almost Democratic Guard will act as its except. During microscopic pony to the enormously powerful the campaign these two clubs agreed that the It will be remembered that when Achelies won a fight he used to attach the conquered to his chariot, and then drive like mad through the

Next Wednesday a monument will be dedicated practicable. His idea must have been to im- American turf, could have been induced to send in Boston to the victims of what is known in pose upon the credulity of the people of Lon- these champions to the exhibition, its merits history as the "Boston Massacre." But Boston nificance of the massacre. One party holds that The racing element is strong enough in the the rope-walk boys were marryrs who fell in the management, the Coney Island Jockey Club cause of their country, while the other party says and "a motley rabble of savey boys," Debating societies who are in search of good subjects for the eason of 1888-89 should not forget the Boston

Is there an impression abroad that the New South does not fully realize that the end of the year is nigh at hand? Has one of her remorseless enemies been circulating the report that she thought the spring, or at all events, the summer, of 1888 was still here? If so the impression is pursuit by changing his shoes after he had gone their best, they can visit the courses during the utterly without foundation, and the report is a short distance from the scene of the murder. racing season and see those superb creatures simply a crude piece of injustice. No intelligent As for the theory that bloodhounds could track when in their finest possible condition, with person can read the following remarks, which we convinced that the New South is a diligent student

convinced that the New South is a diligent student of the almanac. Listen;

The season of warm rains and thunder showers is drawing to a close, and all the daughters of summer are brought low; the blizzard is shaking himself in his northern lair, and birds of passage are fice ng at the sound of his roar. Pigs squeai in the chill night air, and wrap themelves in thicker blankets of fat; the stubble browns and the harvesters hurry the cern crop home; autoum blazes with a dying glare and all the land cries harvest home.

Now comes the time value all the seasons blend; when the sindes and leaf, of April warm the bosom of December, and heat and cold, sunshine and shadow, are lost in the hazy enchantment of Indian summer.

A Bostonian claims to have seen a book catalogue containing this entry:
AESCHYLUS: Prometheus. (unbound.)

This is as good in its way as those other traditional catalogue entries-

Perhaps no means of raising revenue is so generally unpopular as the imposition of an income-tax. Yet to that desperate resource the financiers of the French Republic appear to be driven. Already the annual revenue, raised by a rate of taxation scarcely equalled in the world, amounts to more than \$600,000,000, but all this and more is swallowed up by profligate expenditures and by the demands of militarism. And now M. De Freycinet, the War Minister, asks for an extraordinary appropriation of \$200,000,000 for the construction of an entirely new system of fortifications along the German frontier, emphasizing his demand with the statement, on expert testimony, that owing to improvements in offensive ordnance, the present de-fences are utterly worthless. So the Ministry has decided upon a tax, to be levied on all incomes of more than \$400 per year. How the people will receive this is yet to be known. If they do not murmur at such an addition to burdens already crushing, they must be the most patient people in the world.

The Czar knows how to prevent the recurrence

misses the Minister of Railways for criminal negligence in allowing such a thing to happen. Nor is it probable that autocracy will stop there. The next Minister of Railways will probably be required to ride on the cowcatcher whenever the Emperor travels in future.

Another cure for sleeplessness has been placed noon the market. Its prime merit is its simplicity. The victim of insomnia is not advised to take any sort of drug, no hints are given him in regard to his diet, nor is it suggested that he would do well to chop a cord of green hickory before and count 5,000 after retiring. He is simply told that at the approach of " the drowsy impulse" he should invariably betake himself to rest; "nor should be tarry until this drowsiness verges on unconsciousness, but at the very first intimation of brain-weariness he should seek to assume a horizontal position as quickly as possible." So simple, so simple, pro-vi-ded that the sufferer from insomnia can first catch "the drowsy impulse." As a rule that's what bothers him. He often sits up all night vainly looking for it.

It is a little early as yet to determine which one of the sixty proved itself the most efficient Republican county of this State on Tuesday. It looks as though Monroe was entitled to the distinction. Last year the Democrats captured the three districts of the county, sending a solid Democratic delegation to the Assembly. This year the Republicans carried all the districts and send a solid Republican delegation to Albany. If any other county has done better than this it has the floor.

What is the moral of this story which Scottish papers are now telling:

papers are now telling:

A young woman brought an action of breach of promise against a young man who admitted having been engaged to her. His defence was that she objected to his smoking and finally said: "Choose between your cighr and me." He made the choice promptly in favor of the weed, and when she sued him the judge held that by offering him the alternative she was responsible for the swain's described, and the Superior Court sustained the decision.

What is the moral, we say? That the grand resisting is a resisting for the swain's continuous contin

passion is a passion for tobacco? Or that some men are just too selfish for anything? Or that some sweethearts are too unreasonable? In any event it is sad to think of a cigar, and presumably a good eigar, preventing two hearts from beating as one. Of course, if the young man had contracted the eigarette habit, there would be some sense in the story.

The safe arrival of Dr. Nansen and his fellow explorers at Godthaab is a cause for rejoicing, but whether it is an event of much scientific importance is yet to be determined. When the little band of mountain-climbers set out on this expedition, the plan was to traverse the "Sahara of the North" at its widest part, or at least as far north as the seventieth parallel. That is the region on the East coast visited by Koldeway and Scoresby. A march across country would have brought the explorers out on Baffia Bay at Upernavik, or at least at Godhavn, and such a trip, of seven or eight hundred miles, would have laid open to the eye of science that very heart of the mysterious Arctic continent. Instead, the party has appeared at Godtheab, on Davis Strait and near the southern point of Greenland. If they struck in at the same latitude on the other side, they have merely tramped for a couple of hundred miles across the snow far south of the Arctic Circle, in a country already pretty well known-an achievement of no especial value or interest. On Dr. Nanson's return to Bergen we shall know whether his expedition has been merely a snow-scrambling frolic or a conquest of the last untravelled con-

PERSONAL

Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnson has taken possession of the house of Mr. Leo Enott, the Second Assistant Postmaster-General, at Washington.

Among those who will take part in the Church Congress next week, at Buffalo, are the Hon. A. D. White, of Ithaca; President Potter, of Hobart College; Eishop Whipple, of Minnesota; the Rev. Dr. Charles R. Baker, of Brooklyn, and the Rev. Drs. Arthur Brooks and C. C. Tiffany, of this city.

The Hon. W. C. P. Brechinridge is to deliver the "I was present," says ex.President Hayes, "when

General Sheridan cast the first vote and last of his life. McClellan was the candidate on the one side and Lincoln on the other. Sheridan had never voted, as he was of Ohio an Ohio soldier could vote, and that there was to be somewhere in camp among the Ohio soldiers a polling-place. He soon learned it was at my headquarters, so he came over the day before and talked about it. 'I never cast a vote before in my life,' said General Sheridan, 'and I dow't understand how to do it. Next day Sheridan came over with General Forsyth, of Tolesto, and General Crook, who also wanted to vote. I passed the word around that Sheridan and Crook would vote about 9 o'clock, and 5,000 soldiers and two brassbands were on hand. The polling place was a wagon, and three non-com-missioned officers were judges and two young fellows clerks. I said I'd vote first, so as to show Crook and Sheridan how it was done. I was an old voter; they were greenhorns. I stopped up and said to the in Reading Township, 'Sheridan replied, in an emsured question, 'I was all new to him. Then came to
himself question,' 'Perry County,' 'New the purpose of the judges, 'My name is Rutherford B. Hayes; I vote in Buffalo Bill will entertain Lord Clifford, Lord

Mandeville and six other English guests on a hunting expedition in the northern part of Mexico the latter Professor S. I. Bailey will start on his astronomical

tour in the interest of Harvard University on November 15. He will spend three months on the Pacific Coast, and will then go to Poru for two years. General and Mrs. Schofield have taken apartments

in Washington for the winter. "General Harrison's pastor, the Rev. Dr. Haines,"

says "The Presbyterian Observer," of Balumore, " is not only an able preacher and efficient pastor, but a Presbyterian bred in the bone. His church is strong in men of the professions and of cultured minds. In the eldership the well-known face of General Harrison appears, being one of a half-dozen of faithful men who have stood through more than half their years by the altar of the flouse of God. How with his companions in faithfulness, has honored the cause of practical religion."

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

Axworthy, the defaulting treasurer of Cleveland, was not only not a revicious man, but prone to certain views which would have barred him out of any church. The fact is only mentioned to show that freeligious men are not necessarily honest, although from the tone of some newspapers we might infer that they were. In Bad Luck.—Insurance Superintendent-Well, did you succeed in persuading Mr. Samson to insure his

hie?
Agent (sadly)-No. I talked to him for six hours, but before i get in all my arguments he died.—(Philadelphia Record.

A Western medium has interviewed Adam on the

question, " Is Marriage a Failure ?" " I don't exactly say hat marriage is a failure," remarked the materialized first man, as he sat down on a materialized log just outside of the Garden of Eden, and looked hungrily at the fruit on the other side of the wall, " but if I had remained single this wouldn't have happened."

Jings—"I heard that Addie bad one of those alleged surprise parties at his house last night."

Jangs—"It was a genuine affair, I assure you."

Jings—"Oh, come off: He knew they were coming, and had a big spread for them."

Jangs—"Precisely. His wife heard they were going to give him a costly gold chronometer, and after the party atte everything in the house they surprised him with a Waterbury."—(Lowell Crizea.

A Western dramatic critic recently said of a play

that it was a: lively as an old cheese. It Takes a Big Botler.-Visitor (to pressrooms of a